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Explosion Rocks Chemistry Lab; A Fire Follows

Damage in West Wing of College Building Close to \$10,000.—No One in Room When Blast Occurs.

An explosion, the origin of which is unknown, wrecked the chemistry laboratory on the third floor of the college about 6:30 o'clock Tuesday night. The blast was followed by a fire which destroyed cabinets on the south side of the room and ruined property of both the college and students enrolled in various chemistry classes.

Although the explosion was heard by many, the fire was not discovered until 7:15 o'clock, when a student discovered the blaze as he went to the west wing of the building for books from his locker.

The total damage is estimated at close to \$10,000. Mr. Wilson, chairman of the chemical science department, said that damage to paraphernalia in the department was close to \$3,000. The state carried no insurance.

There is no way of telling what caused the explosion, which evidently occurred on the south side of the room. A number of persons heard the blast. Several college basketball players were on their way home from the gymnasium to Residence Hall for dinner at the time, and Ray Ferguson said that he heard the noise and also thought he heard breaking glass. No significance was attached, however.

Janitors in the building thought the explosion was from outside, probably from one of the barns, and they looked there instead of in the building.

Mr. Hake was working in his physics laboratory late Tuesday evening, but left about ten minutes before the explosion occurred.

Speedy work on the part of the Maryville fire department, and the fact that the college building is of semi-fire-proof construction averted a bad fire. The blaze was well under way when the department arrived, but soon it was gotten under control.

The explosion and fire occurred while President Lamkin was out of town. He was in Jefferson City Tuesday and Wednesday. Dr. Jesse Miller of Maryville, president of the Board of Regents of the College and Mr. Rickenbrode took charge of affairs following the explosion, and there was no confusion.

Workmen spent part of Tuesday night boarding up windows in the laboratory and adjoining rooms. Many panes were blown out by the explosion, and the door sill to the laboratory was torn loose from the wall.

The explosion and fire will make an awkward situation for chemistry laboratory periods. Otherwise, classes need not be curtailed, Mr. Wilson indicated.

Book Store Once Was A Privately Owned Institution

The College Supply Store which furnishes the student body with supplies and takes care of the sweet-tooth as well as was once a privately owned concern. Mr. H. H. Metz, a student in the college in the early years of the institution started the store and ran it for a number of years. The administration, realizing the value of the idea, bought the store and arranged for its management through student help.

The first plan upon which the book store ran was the selling of books to the students and then buying them back second hand if the students wished to sell them. In time this proved to be a very unsatisfactory means of handling the business so the college devised a scheme whereby each student paid a book fee of five dollars, three dollars of which was returned at the end of the year and the remaining two dollars kept as rental for that period and used for the purchasing of new books.

With the present coupon system the bookstore receives two dollars per quarter from the incidental fee of each student. With this money new books are purchased. The money derived from the sale of candy and supplies is used to pay the student help and to purchase new books.

LOUISE FREEMAN LEAVES

Miss Louise Freeman, who has been acting as secretary of the Recommendation Committee, has accepted the position of Registrar of the State Teachers College of Dillon, Montana. Miss Freeman will assume her new duties December 31.

Miss Freeman received her B. S. degree of Education, from the College last summer. Last year she was in the general office with Dean Colbert, and this year she has been working in the Registrar's office of the College. Miss Freeman will leave Maryville the first of next week for a short vacation at her home in Trenton, Mo., before leaving for Dillon.

W.J. Montgomery Banquets Teams of Two Schools

Eighteen Bearcats Recommended for Letters.—Twelve Get Award at Maryville High.—Eat at Elks Club.

Eighteen college football players and twelve gridirers from the Maryville High School were guests at the annual banquet given by W. J. Montgomery, Maryville Clothier, at the Elks Club last night. These men represented the letter winners at the local high school and the men recommended for Ms at the college. The recommendation for the eighteen players went to H. Frank Lawrence, director of athletics, to the committee on intercollegiate athletics this morning.

Each year Mr. Montgomery banquets the letter men, and it is the custom at this time to elect the grid captains for the coming year.

Aside from the football players there were several other guests at the banquet. They were: L. E. Zeigler, superintendent of the Maryville Public Schools; Coaches Lawrence and Jones of the college; Coaches Croy and Graham of the High School; Mr. Maple, John Knox and Weber McMillan, employees of Mr. Montgomery, and Mr. Dunbar, who has been helping with a sale at the clothing store.

The menu for the banquet:

Chicken	Cocktail	Dressing
Gravy		Potatoes
Hot Biscuits		Slaw
Apple Pie a la Mode		Coffee

Those recommended for letters from the college were: Eads, Willoughby, Search, Wilson, O'Banion; Miller, Berst, Ervin, Hartman, Lewis, Westfall, James, McCullough, Cox, Mullinax, Graham, Pouts, and Joy.

Letter men from the High School were: New, Nichols, Howard, Hall, Alsop, Mumma, Bush, Smith, Thompson, Wilson, Kever, and Swinford.

Urges New Club

That college students of America should pay great heed to the problem of international relations and that there should be a club or society for the study of that subject in the college was the opinion of Miss Alva Long, state chairman of the International Relations committee of the American Association of University Women, who visited at the college, Tuesday. Miss Long spoke at the banquet of the Maryville branch, A. A. U. W., at the Linville Hotel in Maryville Tuesday night.

"We are paying enough attention to this great subject," Miss Long said. "We are feeling to safe about this problem, and by so doing we are laying ourselves open to the curse of ignorance. For Americans cannot overlook international relations. We are not an isolated nation; neither are we far from independent. We have had too much money tied up in the World War in Europe and since the war we have loaned too much money to Europe for Americans to forget the international relationship between our country and those across the waters."

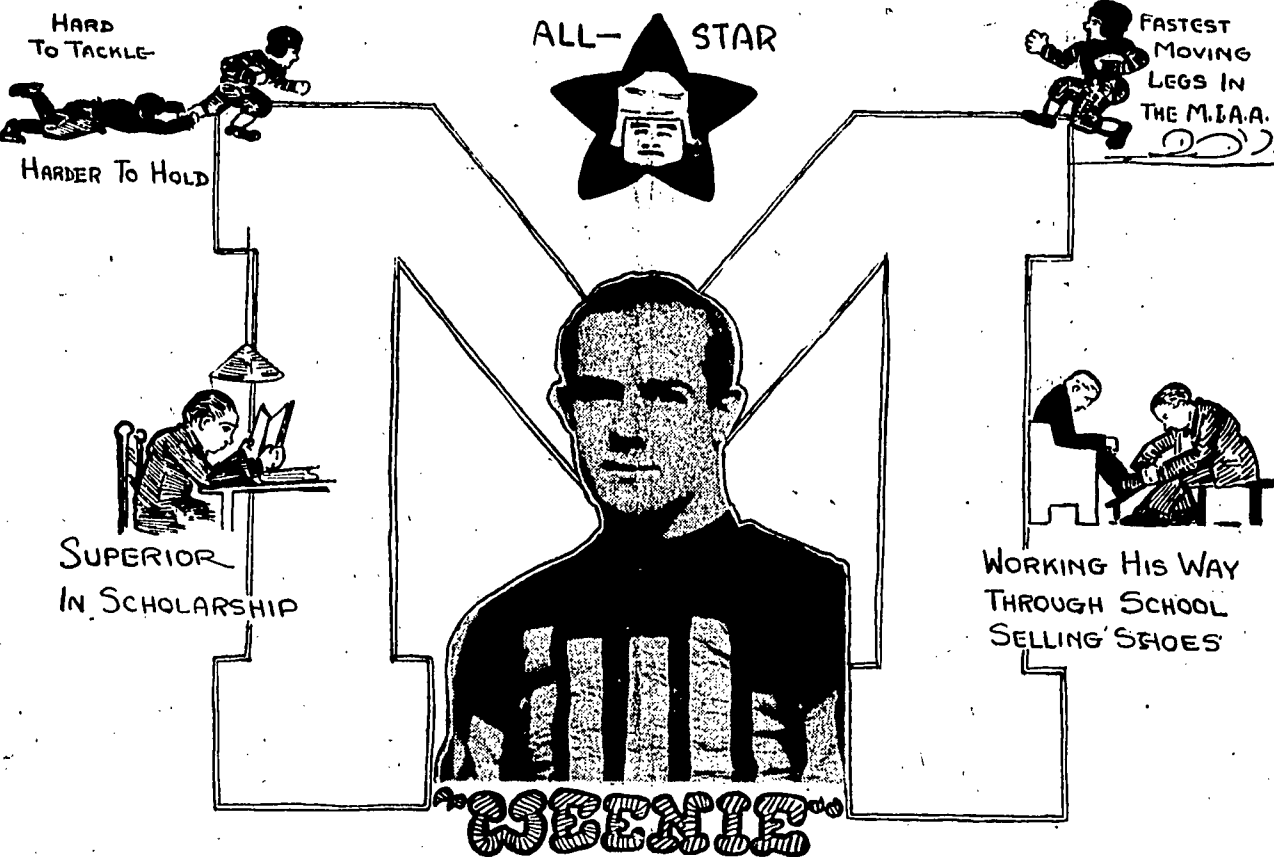
"College students of today should not be taught that they are citizens of Missouri or of the United States. They should be taught to see themselves as citizens of the world."

"It doesn't make any difference what angle of the problem you study, so long as you bring a better understanding of the problems of the different nations and a better knowledge of the interdependence of the peoples of the world."

Miss Long spent a month last summer in Geneva attending sessions of the League of Nations. She was present at the time Germany was admitted.

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THE POST OF HONOR



WILLOUGHBY

Vodre Willoughby of Maryville has just been elected captain of the State Teachers College football team for next year. Willoughby, who is the Bearcat quarterback, will be playing his last season for the Green and White.

The new captain was elected at the annual banquet given for letter men from the college and the Maryville High School by W. J. Montgomery, local clothier.

Willoughby is 22 years old, stands 5 feet 6 inches high, and weighs 160 pounds in his football suit. He has played quarterback for the Bearcats for three years.

He has been one of the outstanding backs of the Missouri Intercollegiate Athletic Association, and has been named on all mythical all-star teams. This year he was the only Maryville player to place on both all-star teams chosen by Kansas City players.

"Weenie" as the captain-elect is affectionately known, was a star with the Maryville High School team when a student there. He played under Coach Lawrence during his high school days, for the Bearcat mentor served as the Maryville mentor before he came to the college. There was a peculiar significance in his election at the Montgomery banquet, for he was elected in the presence of Maryville High players and L. E. Zeigler, his superintendent when he was in school there.

"Weenie" is a better than average student. He admits that he has made two I's in his college career, but he also boasts of a number of S grades and an occasional E, to wipe out the sting. Willoughby works his way through school being employed at the Montgomery Shoe Store in Maryville.

Dear Santa's Letter Box



Dear Santa:

We are four good little girls. We don't want very much for Christmas but we want you to be good to all our little boy friends. Be sure and bring Lloyd Harris a Kiddie Kar and bring Johnny Lyle a rocking horse. Shoenie wants a little toy train and track so that he can go to Clearmont. Now be sure and don't forget a package of cigarettes for Graham Malotte. All Triggs wants for Christmas is a big rocking chair so that he and Marceline can sit together ALL the time.

Your little friends
Merle
Alice
Maurine
Elsie

Dear Santa:
I want a new idea about "Buns", and some candy in my stocking. Bring "Bun" oranges instead of candy because I haven't time to "darn" my socks, and don't forget my son Murphy O'Banion—he wants "anything Santa Claus brings".

Lovingly
Mary Esther Murphy O'Banion

Maryville, Mo.

My Dear Santa:
Please bring me a little Spanish boy to help me with my Spanish lesson. Also, Santa, don't forget those splendid dates I've been praying for which take boy with the foreign nickname. Now, Santa, besides four "B's" next quarter, I have nothing else for which to ask. I am

Yours as ever,
Lucy Allen

Maryville, Mo.

Dear Santa:
I am writing this for my little friend

Bill McCullough who is not able to write yet.
Please dear Santa bring him what he wants, just once.

Please bring him a new locker, a new girl, a pound of star tobacco, a book he doesn't have to study, and please Santa make him the best looking boy in school.

Yours truly,
"Will"

Mr. Santa Claus Man:
I am very much excited about your visit, and I want to tell you not to worry overly much about me, for my wishes are easily granted. I want my betrothed to come. Then, dear Santa if you have any drawing of clams either whole, cut, or bisected that will please my Biology teacher, I would appreciate them highly. If it wouldn't be asking too much I would like to have you send a boy in my Biology class a book of etiquette, to teach him a few manners. Now don't forget the candy, nut, and "Dates" for all of us college boys and girls.

Hoping
Iva Griffin

Maryville, Mo.

Dear Santa:
As Christmas is approaching I will drop you a line telling you what I want for Christmas. I want a Kiddie Kar, bee-bee gun, and a great big popcorn ball and plenty of candy and nuts.

Your little friend,
Johnny Mountjoy

Maryville, Mo.

My dear Old Santa:
We have been good girls. We have rocked the baby to sleep every night

I remain your little friend,
Harold Houston
(Continued Next Week)

Proposal To Change School Colors And Emblem Brings A Discussion

Plan of Athletic Department to Add Black to Green and White and to Call Athletes "Wildcats" Instead of "Bearcats" Meets With Some Opposition.—Students and Alumni Express Views on Matter.—Committee to make Recommendations After Meeting on Saturday.

Outstanding in the news of this week is the proposed action to change the school colors and the name by which the college athletic teams are known. There has been much discussion on the matter since it was first brought before the student body at the regular weekly assembly last Wednesday, and now the matter has gone to a committee for recommendation.

The situation arose with two petitions sent by the athletic department, and signed by Coaches Lawrence and Jones, to President Lamkin and the Student Council. The petition asks that black be added to the green and white which now form the college colors and that the term "Bearcats" be replaced by "Wildcats". The athletic department gives as its reason the fact that the present green sweaters fade easily and rapidly and that "Bearcats" in reality means nothing since there is no true animal by that name.

Discussion on the matter has become great, and alumni of the college as well as the students have entered into it. It seems that the majority of the graduates are in favor of retaining the old colors and symbol, and that the other side of the question is led by the coaches and the athletes of the school.

An effort is being made to secure opinions on the matter, and Burdette Yeo, president of the Student Association, has solicited opinions from all former students and any of those now in school who wish to be heard on the matter.

According to Coach Lawrence, his idea would be to replace the now green athletic equipment with that of black material, trimmed in green and white. He argues that this would not do away with the old colors, but would add a new one. Aside from the practicability of the change, he asserts, it would be a novel move, as he knows of no other school having a combination of three colors.

The petition circulated by the athletic department asks for a change in the color scheme so that the equipment for the athletic department will retain its color and have a longer period of usefulness. The coaches say that present equipment can be dyed black. They plan to have all honor sweaters to be given in the future to be black with a green letter M, trimmed in white. The argument for the change in the school symbol is that "Wildcat" is emblematic of a real animal, and that it would be possible to have emblems representing the name as do the athletes from many other schools. The coaches also hint of a prospective live mascot for the college.

The Student Council has arranged for a meeting of a committee composed of three students from the college and three members of the alumni Association. This committee will meet this week-end and will make a report to the Student Council in the form of a recommendation as to what action they think advisable to take. The student Council in turn will consider the matter and if necessary will call a meeting of the Student Association to take final action on the movement.

A PETITION
To the President
And to the Student Council
From the Athletic Department.

Being reluctant to change the school colors of Green and White to that of any other two color combination, yet finding both colors unsatisfactory as to general usage, appearance after wear, wearing qualities etc., also finding that the use of green dye has a tendency to weaken the fibre of the material, therefore causing equipment to wear out much faster than it should; also being unable to get the manufacturer to guarantee a green color against fading, we, the members of the athletic department respectfully suggest the following action:

"That the color black be ADDED to that of Green and White making the school colors Green, Black, and White."

Reasons:
1. So that equipment bought for school use may retain its color, and may be used for more than one year without fading out.
2. So that said equipment will last longer.
3. So that all usable equipment now remaining, and that has faded to an unsightly yellowish-green may be dyed black and made use of.
4. A secondary reason—it would be an innovation in schools and colleges for a school to have three colors in place of two.

5. So that honor sweaters given athletic teams would not fade out with a few weeks wear.

6. The addition of black to the colors green and white would not interfere with building decorations now in use. In fact it would harmonize very readily with a great many of the color schemes now in use in the school.

7. That the color scheme is one that makes a very agreeable combination. The basketball uniforms used last year were green jerseys with white letters and black trousers. The combination drew many compliments.

Suggestions:
In connection with the above petition the following suggestions are made:

1. That all Varsity Honor Sweaters be of black with a green chenille block letter "M" bordered with white.

2. That all playing jerseys be of black, the sleeves without stripes, the numerals in white and any trimming that may be desired to be in green.

3. That all sweat suits (especially basketball) shall be of black, trimmed in green and with white lettering and numerals.

Approved with approval of majority of football team and basketball team.
H. F. Lawrence
P. R. Jones, Jr.

A PETITION
To the President
And to the Student Council
From the Athletic Department.

Knowing that the Bearcats have in the past shown some admirable fighting qualities, yet knowing that they have not as yet attained the high degree to which they can arrive; also knowing that almost everyone in school would like to have a real live mascot; also an insignia of athletic teams, and knowing that there is no living animal designated Bearcat we, the members of the Athletic Department respectfully petition the following:

"That the school nickname for athletic teams be changed from 'Bearcat' to 'Wildcats'."

Reasons:
1. So that the school may have an insignia like Warrensburg, which has Mule's head, Springfield the Bear and Kirksville the Bulldog, Missouri the Tiger etc.

2. So that songs, yells, etc. will have more meaning and ring.

3. So that we may if we wish be represented by a real live mascot as the other schools in the conference except, perhaps, Cape Girardeau.

Signed with the approval of a majority of the athletic teams.
H. F. Lawrence
P. R. Jones, Jr.

What Students Say Of The Proposed Change In Colors

Charles (Doc) Williamson—All I have to say is that it depends upon what colors are suggested for the change. It may and it may not benefit the school.

Leon Ungles—I believe that the colors could be conveniently changed and still uphold the traditions of the school.

Miss Freeman—I am not in favor of changing the colors from Green and White, not only because I think the present combination pleasing, but also because I think too many changes will make the institution unfamiliar and of less interest to former students.

Mary Hansell—Changing college colors is an act that any student body should consider very carefully. Every young college always has trouble in establishing traditions. Traditions are the things that tie us to our Alma Mater long after we have forgotten our Latin and French.

Wilbur Cox—I am against the changing of the colors of the school, but I am in favor of adding black to the sweaters in order to secure a fast color. The sweater colors would blend together and would be more serviceable and still keep the College colors of Green and White.

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WHAT ABOUT A CHANGE OF COLLEGE COLORS?

One of the most vital questions confronting the students and alumni of the College at the present time is that of the prospective change in the school colors. This question arises with the request on the part of Coach Lawrence that the College colors be changed.

There are certainly two sides to this question—a question which demands thought from both students and alumni. There is the side championed by several alumni and student leaders.

Coach Lawrence is opposed to Green and White on the major grounds that the green now used in College sweaters is a color which fades rapidly. The coach is supported in this contention by a number of athletes of the school. One football player has been heard to remark that it is not pleasant to be awarded a pretty green honor sweater which soon fades to a weak yellow.

So much for one side of the question. The other angle is that Green and White have been the College colors during the period in which the institution has enjoyed its greatest growth; that the alumni of the school are adverse to changing from the Green and White; and that it is not a good policy to disrupt tradition by making the change.

Now, the matter of changing College colors is more serious than the outsider would presume. It is a matter to be considered seriously. There should not be a change unless it is warranted, possibly more good would result from it than from maintaining colors which are not productive of the best results.

In the first place, what is the value of college colors, and what is their significance, if any. Is it desirable to have a combination of colors, beautiful in their harmony or in their contrast? Is it emphatic that college colors mean more than just Green and White or Red and Black? Is there a close co-ordination between college colors and college traditions.

Coach Lawrence has suggested that Black be added to the Green and White. He argues that this color would not fade to a great extent and that the Green and White combination might thus be preserved.

The Northwest Missourian welcomes comment on the matter. Certainly no decision should be made in a hurry-up fashion, and all wishing should be allowed to express their opinion on the matter. In case any reader of this paper, student or alumnus, is desirous of commenting on the color question, his views will be printed in the columns of this paper.

Communication should be addressed to the Northwest Missourian, care of the College, Maryville.

WHAT DO YOU READ IN THE PAPER

Just what do you read in the paper? Do you glance at the sport column and the society column, and then cast the paper aside? Or do you read only the articles which have the large headlines? A newspaper is great in so far as it has power to encourage its readers to read all of it.

A newspaper should have an editorial column, and the reader should find this column each time the paper is issued. For in its editorials the newspaper should express opinion. It should be unbiased, but the editorial should strive to mould public opinion.

Read the editorial column in your paper. Perhaps it will afford you a different slant on some topic in which you are interested.

BUY CHRISTMAS SEALS

There comes a time every year when all of us are given a chance to help in a very worthy cause. If a person is unable to contribute in money, he can give time and service. So again it is the time of year when we can forget that pennies exist and buy a dollar's worth of Christmas Seals. It is customary each year for the W. A. A. girls to take charge of the sale of Christmas Seals at the College. Each girl has been given two or more faculty members to see and a table has been placed in hall. Students may make their contributions there. The girls have set their goal at one hundred dollars for this year. If that is reached, the W. A. A., will receive thirty dollars. This money will be used for some worthy cause. Students, Faculty members, if you have not already purchased your Christmas seal, do so now, so that the goal may be reached.

High School
Notes

Maryville High School

The Girl's Reserve of the Maryville High School has been doing some very interesting charity work. There are forty members in the junior and senior division. It is divided into four groups of ten girls each. Each group serves on charity committee for one week, which gives every group one chance during the week to furnish articles for the poor. Various things are given. Each girl is only asked to bring some small thing during the week in which she is to serve. Either food or clothing can be given. This is then taken to the poor families who are in need.

A debate was held at the Maryville High School, Tuesday, November 31 between the Maryville High School and the Fairfax High School.

The question for debate was Resolved: That the adherence of the United States to the Permanent Court of International Justice, as proposed by the president and ratified by the Senate, January 27th, 1926 is a wise policy.

Miss Nichols and Miss Dawson debated the affirmative side of the question for Maryville, while Miss Walker and Mr. Johnson upheld the negative side for Fairfax. Both sides presented a good argument.

The affirmative side won by a decision of two to one. This makes them eligible for another debate with some other winning team from this district.

The Maryville High School students held their class meetings recently and elected their class queens. Noreen White was chosen senior queen, Geraldine Hunt, junior queen; Esther McMurray, sophomore queen; and Genevieve Miller, freshman queen. The queen who receives the highest number of votes will be chosen as queen of the Maryvillian.



LET US suggest
THAT if you
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Fake Trial Of Leo Halasey, Former Student Of College, Arouses Much Interest At St. Louis U

No affair within the past year has caused more interest throughout St. Louis than the fake stabbing of John Casey Jr., in the St. Louis University Law School by Leo J. Halasey of Maryville a classmate and a former student here. Only the two students and Professor C. C. Wheaton were aware that the dagger used was rubber and the blood was nothing more than red ink. The stabbing occurred during the regular class sessions and threw the entire school into excitement. Dean Alphonse Eberle, Professor Wheaton and Charles Dolan Associate City Counselor of St. Louis began an investigation at the mock trial held Tuesday, December 7.

Walter Loftus of Independence, Kansas and Elmer Flynn, Seniors in the Law School, prosecuted in behalf of the State versus Halasey. Mrs. Gertrude Hewitt, a co-ed, Dalton Schreiber and Ralph Ernst Senior Law students defended. Judge Robert Hall of the St. Louis Circuit Court acted as judge. The jury was selected from among the students of the other schools and departments of the University. The State claimed a confession from Halasey immediately after the incident but upon advice of counsel Halasey plead insanity. Two of the University faculty members of the Medical School, expert alienists testified for the State. Another medical alumnus was called by the Defense. The hushed silence that accompanied their testimony and the excitement following when these noted experts announced their findings gave an unusual air of reality to the whole proceeding. As a matter of fact there were many students from the other departments of the school present who did not know that the trial was a farcical one. The

State finally rested its case at 11:00 o'clock and the jury retired. After twenty minutes the foreman announced that they had found Halasey guilty and sentenced him to one more year of school at St. Louis University, provided he indulge in no more bloody encounters. In the opinion of many faculty members who were present the incident of the stabbing and the procedure of the mock trial constitutes one of the most important practical trainings in the Law School here.

A clever bit of acting was done by Halasey who completely fooled not only his classmates but the entire school. His assault upon Casey was so real that, as a matter of fact, several students handled him rather savagely when they captured him upon his attempted flight. Much of the whole affair should be attributed to him.

Following is an account of the trial: Leo J. Halasey, of Maryville, a senior law student at St. Louis University, is not crazy. A jury of his peers so held after a hearing attended by 400 young men and women, who crowded into the courtroom. Halasey was charged with assault and attempt to kill a fellow law student.

At this point, it should be stated, that the hearing was only a mock trial and the courtroom is at the university. Circuit Judge Robert W. Hall presided. Senior law students made up the array of counsel for state and defense, while the jury consisted of students from the night law school.

The complaining witness, John Thomas Casey, was the first called. Under direction of attorneys for the state, he told the following story: "It was in the classroom on the morning of Nov. 10. I was sitting about five seats back of the defendant.

It was very cold outdoors, but despite this, Halasey opened a window. I got up and closed it. He opened it again. I again closed it.

"He came back to my desk and demanded that I apologize. I didn't take him seriously. Then he pulled a dagger six inches long from his coat pocket and stabbed me in the chest."

The crowd cheered. The witness, a much larger man physically than the defendant, was asked on cross-examination if he had not indirectly threatened Halasey by asking him to engage in a boxing exhibition. This he denied. "Well," asked the counsel, "You at one time boxed Buddy Taylor, a noted pugilist, didn't you?"

"Yes," said Casey, "But I didn't get any money for it."

More cheers from the spectators. The defense pleaded insanity. A former girl friend of the defendant testified that Halasey once took her to a picture show on Grand boulevard. "We were hardly seated before he began to rave about Casey being a German," she said. "The usher threw us both out."

Halasey's lady, a Mrs. Walsh, was asked what sort of hours he kept. She replied he usually got in very late.

"A regular guy," murmured one of the spectators, but the cheers ceased when Mrs. Walsh explained that he worked nights at the postoffice.

A prominent alienist, an alumnus of the university, was called in rebuttal by the state. He said:

"Halasey is suffering from a mental disarrangement but I wouldn't like to call it insanity."

The jury deliberated fifteen minutes, returning a verdict of guilty, sentencing Halasey to four years in some penitentiary. He, of course, appealed.

clubs and there is more interest shown than what was formerly displayed in the literary societies.

Elmo High School

The organization of a high school orchestra under the direction of Mr. Carr is now being planned by the school.

The Junior High enjoyed the brief stay of coasting weather a short time ago by means of a coasting party.

Those interested in the debating team, under the supervision of Mr. Carr, have been working on the first question of debate, Resolved that the United States should enter the World Court.

The Junior High civics class members are keeping a budget, in order to record the expenditures of the individuals during the next month. Considerable interest is being displayed over the plan because every member must keep his expenditures within in the amount set forth by the budget.

Grandview

The Grandview High School basketball teams played at Pattonsburg last week. The results of the game were somewhat divided with the girls coming out on the small end of a 26-0 score, and the boys on the long end of their game, 13-4.

A Christmas entertainment will be presented in the auditorium December 22. The majority of the entertainment will be given by the Grades, but it is rumored that old Santa himself, will be there to do his part.

We know that the Dorm is inhabited, but not because we ever get anyone on the telephone there.

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High School Notes

St. Joseph Central High

The Press Club an organization of outstanding Journalism students, has been organized with eight charter members. The requirements for membership in the Press Club are six hundred published lines of advertisements amounting to \$150.00. This year's charter members are: Kenneth Keane, Jacquetta Linck, Mary Thompson, Dorothy Elder, Celia Freedman, Doris Smalley, Francis Bruce and Beatrice Barber.

The following officers were elected at the meeting of December 1: Francis Bruce president; Dorothy Elder, vice-president; Mary Thompson, secretary; and Celia Freedman treasurer.

The following committee was appointed to form a constitution for the organization: Beatrice Barber, chairman; Kenneth Keane and Celia Freedman.

Applications for membership in the Club may be presented at any time and there will be an initiation for new members in about a month.

H. S. Practice Teaching

Twenty-three students in the college are doing practice teaching in the College High School this quarter. The course in practice teaching is a requirement on the B. S. Degree and according to the new requirements all students who get a degree after the coming summer quarter will be required to have five hours of practice teaching instead of the present requirement of two and a half hours. Miss Margaret Franken supervisor of the College High School, advises all members of the Junior class of the College to enter with her sometime in the near future to arrange for taking their practice teaching.

The students now engaged in teaching in the High School are Cleo Wyman Physics; Wilbur Cox, Latin and Geography; Mary Esther Murphy, O. Banion Dramatics; Merce Williams, Typewriting; Helen Cottier, English; Edith Shoemaker Geometry; Donald Williams, Commercial Law; Lula MacCurfman, English; T. H. Walton, Community Life; Frank Klein, American History; Richard Baker, Citizenship; Pauline Manchester Algebra; Carl Akers, Agriculture; Ward Barnes, Biology; Gertrude Garrett, Fine Arts; Margaret McMurtry, Typewriting; Lona LeVan, Physical Education for girls; and Gordon Joy, Physical Education for boys.

Princeton High School

The football team of the Princeton High School stood up to the record that was made last year when it came through the season with only one defeat chalked up against it. This year they defeated Green City, Mo. high school team, the team that gave Princeton its only defeat last year, and which was the champion of the N. E. District.

During the past four years, since Stephen LaMar a graduate of S. T. O., has been coaching the Princeton team the Princeton boys have won thirty-two of their thirty-seven played games. There are prospects of a good season

in basketball this winter and new uniforms for both boys' and girls' teams have been purchased.

The high school debate team was defeated last week by the Gault High School team. The next debate will be between Princeton and Laredo High School.

The Vocational Agricultural department of the High School and the Chamber of Commerce conducted a successful Corn and Poultry show in Princeton December 9, 10, 11. The Vocational Agricultural department under the supervision of Geo. Tumbleson recently purchased a new motor by aid of which the High School motion picture machine may be used to show pictures in the rural schools of Mercer County. Slides as well as pictures are being shown regularly to the Senior High School and the Junior High School classes in History, Agriculture, English, etc.

A boys glee club under the direction of Mr. LaMar, has been organized. This is the first organization of this kind that the school has ever had. There is a girls' pep squad in the school under the direction of Minnie Rank.

The assembly programs each week are given by the classes of the two high schools rotating each week the various classes that are to have charge.

The Parent-Teachers Association has placed over two hundred dollars worth of play ground equipment on the play grounds, to be used by the school. The equipment has been erected upon permanent foundations and assigned to use by the various grades.

The Sophomores are sponsoring a Lyceum course for the High School this year. The players come through the Des Moines Lyceum bureau. The next two numbers are to be given January 7 and February 3.

Tower Queens

Following the style set by the Tower Staff of last year the present Tower Staff have deemed it advisable to have each of the four classes in the College elect its Tower Queen. At recent class meetings this matter was taken up and the four Queens have been elected. The Senior Class have as their representative, Pauline Mischigster. The Junior Class awarded this honor to June Corzine. The Sophomores selected Edith Honkins and the Freshmen Lucille Snyder. The Tower Queens were elected not only with the one virtue of beauty in mind but general school activity was taken into consideration.

The Tower is well under way the Junior and Senior panels have been sent to the engravers along with the views of the campus and several panels of snapshots.

Hamilton

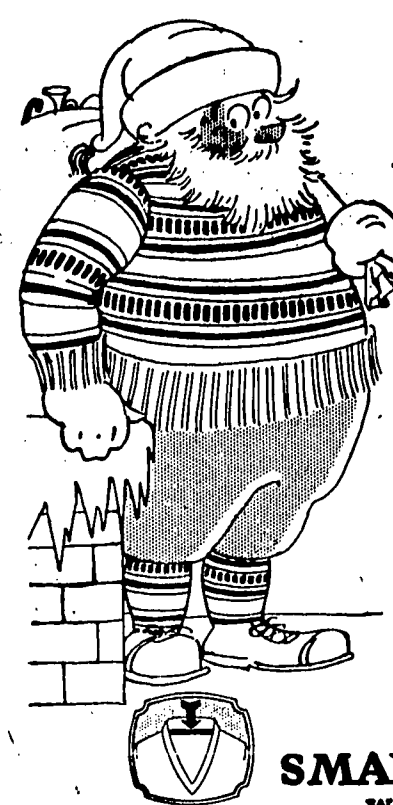
The annual Junior play was presented December 10. The play "Cimmin Yonson's Yob" under the direction of Miss Jean Swiger, was very well given through the season with only one defeat chalked up against it. This year they defeated Green City, Mo. high school team, the team that gave Princeton its only defeat last year, and which was the champion of the N. E. District.

Plans are being made for a Christmas program to be given Friday afternoon, December 24, before the entire student body of the high school and the grades. The twofold idea of Christmas will be represented, the grades giving the Santa Claus phase of their



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'The Stroller'

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The Stroller is back on the job working hard to find something on everyone, but from the way things have turned out, she is afraid that the majority of the students here at life College are angels.

But the Stroller does know that there was a large hunt a short time ago and that a number of young men hunted in vain. Our friend Snierson and several other fellows went journeying forth one night upon an old fashioned snipe hunt. Snierson held the snipe until the oil in his lantern gave out and by that time he thought that it was time for his morning class so he gave up in despair and returned to the city. Yes there are still a few in this good old world.

Then also not so long ago, there were a number of the distinguished young gentlemen of the Commerce department sojourning in St. Joseph on an observation trip. And to be truthful, because the Stroller never tells anything that is not true, these young men, and there were several young ladies along too, made the best of their trip by accomplishing a dual purpose at the same time.

Take the Hathaway twins, John and Joe or Joe and John, which ever way you know them, were quite interested when they were going through the Western Tablet Co's factory. One of them was very much interested in the manner in which one particular person in the plant could work her hands and arms so fast and still be able to look over and smile so sweetly at him. And he was not the only one to wonder over the same question.

But it would be too much on the boys if anything else were said about the trip, so the Stroller will close this particular case wondering if Mr. Eek arrived home in time for supper. (Mrs. Eek had informed him that he was to be home by six o'clock.)

Now that Christmas is almost here, Miss Florence Holliday, of the Registrar's office, is wondering if she has been good enough to warrant Santa Claus in bringing her a little instruction book on the 'Methods and Principles of Dancing'. Or still better than that a new dancing instructor, because the two gentlemen that were teaching her, seems to have flown the coop, anyway they have not been seen giving their lessons as per scheduled. Better luck next time is the Strollers best wishes.

You know Mr. Mapel, that tall good looking Director of Information, was too bashful to send Santa Claus a letter telling him that he wanted a radio for Christmas, well The Stroller thought Mr. Mapel deserved the thing—a jig, so the Stroller will ask Santa not to forget Mr. Mapel.

Don't you feel sorry for the Chemistry students who will probably have a few days vacation from the laboratory due to the fire. The only trouble is that they will have to make up all of the experiments that they have not completed. But such is life.

Don't forget that you have only one more week to write and tell Santa Claus what you want.

What Students Say

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Everette Wright.

I am against the changing of the colors of the College, because I think that the colors are not only the prettiest of any of the neighboring colleges, but also because I think that the traditions of the College should be upheld.

Fred Street.

I am against the changing of the colors of the school, altho I believe that the addition of the black to the athletic college colors is an act more serviceable. That would still be upholding the regular colors of Green and White.

Sullivan: I spilled some acid on my hand it made it smart.
O'Banion: Try drinking some.

The Henrietta Debate Team defeated the Norborne Debate Team in a hotly contested debate here at Henrietta on Tuesday, November 30. Norborne upheld the affirmative side of the question while the Henrietta team took the negative side. Merrill Woodruff and Willie Lovell were the Henrietta Debaters. The judge was Prof. Teener from Park College.

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Chemistry Prize Contest Drawing College Entries

Many Students of S. T. C., Signify Intention of Writing Essay for One of Many Prizes.

The American Chemical Society has announced its fourth Prize Essay Contest for high and secondary school students for the year 1926-1927. This year there have been added six prizes of \$500, six prizes of \$300, and six prizes of \$200 for awards to the students attending normal schools and state teachers colleges who write the first second, and third best essays respectively on each of the six designated subjects. Many students of chemistry in S. T. C., have become interested in this contest and have signified their intentions to compete. In many secondary schools this essay contest has stimulated a new interest on the part of the students in reading and in acquiring facility in the use of the library and has brought to those at home a new conception of chemistry. The outstanding feature of this contest is that absolutely no technical knowledge of chemistry is required. The subjects have been chosen so that one who has no extensive technical knowledge of the science of chemistry can write on them. The subjects are:

1. The Relation of Chemistry to Health and Disease.
2. The Relation of Chemistry to the Enrichment of Life.
3. The Relation of Chemistry to Agriculture or Forestry.
4. The Relation of Chemistry to National Defense.
5. The Relation of Chemistry to the Home.
6. The Relation of Chemistry to the Development of an Industry or a Resource of the United States.

For the purpose of this contest a Normal School or Teachers College Student shall be a regularly enrolled student as are listed in Section XVI of the Educational Directory of the Bureau of Education, United States Department of the Interior. Students who graduate in mid-year are eligible to compete in this contest. The rules of the contest are as follows:

1. A contestant may submit only one essay.
2. Essays must not exceed 2,500 words. Any exceeding 2,500 words will not be considered by the judges of the contest.
3. Essays must be confined to one of the specified subjects.
4. Essays must be legibly written in ink or preferably typewritten, double spaced, have wide margins and be on one side of paper 8 1/2 inches by 11 inches. Each essay must bear the name, home address, and name and address of the school of the contestant. The sheets must be numbered consecutively and securely bound together.
5. All direct quotations must be enclosed in quotation marks and due credit must be given to sources of references.
6. All essays must be in the hands of the Secretary of the Committee on Prize Essays of the American Chemical Society 85 Beaver Street, New York City, not later than March 1st, 1927.
7. The Normal School and Teachers College Contest will be considered a national contest and all matters pertaining to it should be referred to the Committee on Prize Essays, American Chemical Society, 85 Beaver Street New York City which will be assisted by designated individuals and committees.
8. Full rights to publish any essay submitted are reserved by the American Chemical Society.

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The books of the library and the College store are being rebound and repaired in the library annex of the College. This work is being done by L. J. Boyer, who spends all of his time repairing and rebinding books of high school and College libraries.

This method of having books rebound in the College saves the expense and the time lost in the transportation of the books to and from the binderies, and also on the expense of rebinding. Under proper care, and because of the care and the kind of glue used, the rebound books may be depended upon to wear longer than a new book of the same type under the same conditions. After going through the books, there is no need of work of this kind for the period of three to five years, with the exception of the type of books that are sent to the regular book bindery where lettering on the book is needed to be made.

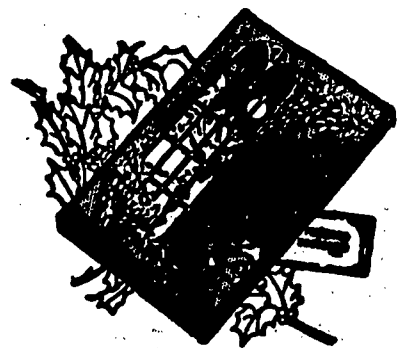
Approximately 1500 books, are being made anew for the school. Mr. Boyer completes the rebinding of one hundred books a day.

The process that is used in the rebinding is made of a few simple routine motions, in order that speed in the rebinding may be accomplished and that enough work to make it a paying proposition be completed. First, the pages are placed in their proper order and arranged. If a book has missing parts, these parts are made up from another volume that is used in the make up. The work is piece work and the College only pays for the volumes that have been completed. The next operation is the placing of new end sheets in the book. The book covers are repaired and imitation leather is put on the backs with a flexible glue to take the place of the

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Mr. Boyer has worked in the libraries of the St. Louis University, Washington University and Concordia Seminary all of which are located in St. Louis. Before coming to Maryville, Mr. Boyer completed six months work in the St. Joseph school system and previous to that he was in the school system of St. Louis County for one year. Upon the completion of his work here Mr. Boyer plans on a vacation to be taken on the Pacific coast.

Urges New Club

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"Great enthusiasm was manifested over the entry of Germany into the League, but greater was the enthusiasm over the speech of Briand, in which he, as the French representative, welcomed Germany into the League."

Miss Long said that this speech was by far the most eloquent she had ever heard. She said that the Frenchman spoke thirty-two minutes, and he spoke so rapidly that the newspaper stenographers were unable to follow him.

Miss Long also spoke of Herr Stresemann's speech, in which he pledged German co-operation with the other nations.

"Both speakers stressed the idea that

the admission of Germany was a step toward universality," she said.

Miss Long said that there is a tremendous lot of war psychology in Europe. "There is a lot of loose dynamite lying around in Europe which can be touched off any minute," she said. Then she warned of the fact that Europe is continually dreading the next war, while America does not even think of there being one.

Ninety per cent of the 3,807 students graduated this year from the 14 State and 2 city normal schools of Pennsylvania prepared to teach in elementary schools. The remainder specialized in art, music, commercial education, health education and home economics. The 1925-26 graduates exceeded graduates of all previous years both in total numbers and in the number of men graduates. All had four years of high-school training or equivalent before entering normal school.

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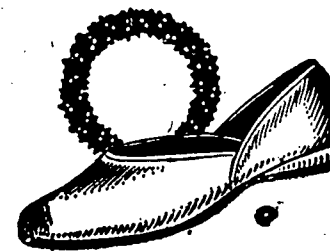


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